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Parade - 11 A.M., Fireworks - 10 P.M., All-Day Carnival Set for Fourth

A day-long program of festivities, beginning with a parade at 11 a.m. sharp and ending with fireworks at the Lake at 10 p.m., will mark the annual Greenbelt Fourth of July celebration this Thursday. During the day there will be a carnival at the Lake featuring games, kiddie rides, food and refreshments. The entire program is under the sponsorship of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

There will be 14 trophies awarded for the various entries in the parade, which will form on Southway below Ridge and proceed to Centerway, then along Crescent to the Lake. Heading the parade judges is Harry C. "Curly" Byrd, President Emeritus of the University of Maryland. Parade marshal is Sergeant Austin Green of the Greenbelt Police Department.

The trophies will include awards for the best appearing fire company, pumper, rescue truck, ambulance, ladies auxiliary, marching unit, civic float, horse drawn unit, and best decorated bike (for youngsters). There will also be four awards for senior and junior majorettes.

There will be a special program at the Lake beginning at 1 p.m., with Reverend Donald N. McKenzie, minister of the Community Church serving as master of ceremonies. "Curly" Byrd will be the featured speaker.

Throughout the afternoon and evening athletic contests are scheduled to be conducted by Warren Leddick, recreation director. The Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad will also put on demonstrations and displays. The fireworks display, slated for 10 p.m., a later hour than usual, is promised to be bigger than previous displays.

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FOR SALE—2-bedroom semi-detached brick house. Recently redecorated inside and outside; refrigerator, range, venetian blinds; \$8,000 (includes 3% deposit for taxes, insurance, etc.). GR 3-4382.

FOR SALE—3-bedroom frame in perfect condition, occupancy Aug. 15. GR 4-7031.

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ANOTHER NEW SERVICE

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City Elections; How to Vote

The election for a City Council will be held September 17, 1957. To be eligible to vote in the election, a person must be registered in the city's books. To be registered for County, State, and National elections does not qualify a person to vote in the City election. If a person has registered once for the City election and has voted in one of the last two elections (1955-1953) it is not necessary to register again.

To be eligible to register to vote a person must be a citizen of the United States, at least 21 years of age, of sound mind, a resident of the City of Greenbelt for at least six months and of the State of Maryland for one year immediately preceding the election.

Any person who is eligible to register to vote in the city election but is NOT registered may do so between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at the City Clerk's office.

The last day for registering is 4 p.m., Monday, August 19, 1957.

Any person interested in being a candidate for Council may procure petition forms from the City Clerk.

County Civil Defense Gets AEC License

"Pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act the Prince Georges County Civil Defense Agency has been granted an A.E.C. license to use byproduct material," Civil Defense Director R. Hal Silvers announced.

"The byproduct material will be specifically used in the training of Radiological Defense Monitors and in the calibration of instruments," Silvers said. He also pointed out that "the maximum amount of radioactivity which this Agency will possess at any one time will be thirty (30) millicuries and further each source will be sealed (capsule form) and will have permanently attached to it a durable, legible and visible tag—clearing identifying the product."

"The byproduct material to be used for training will be under the strict supervision of the Prince Georges County Civil Defense RADIATION CHIEF who is well trained in this field." He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the training program inaugurated last year by the County Civil Defense Agency has already produced an umber of civil defense personnel during its training sessions held at the University of Maryland.

"Radioactive materials will be safely secured in a vault and every safety precaution will be taken to protect personnel," Silvers assured.

Warning to Holiday Drivers
In 1956, there were 390 persons killed in the U.S. crossing an intersection with signal. Twenty were killed on safety isles.

Nearly 28 per cent of U. S. drivers involved in fatalities in 1956 were under 25 years of age.

Passenger cars were involved in nearly 80 per cent of all U. S. traffic fatalities in 1956—85 per cent of traffic injuries.

FOR SALE—2½-bedroom brick end attic; beautiful garden; \$94.75 mo. GR 4-8952.

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CARPOOL driver wanted: Greenbelt to vicinity 18th & Constitution, N.W. 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. GR 4-8196.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland

July 8, 1957

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Petitions and Requests
5. Written Communications
6. Monthly Reports
7. Ordinance (Second Reading) Amend Traffic Code
8. Resolution: Transfer Funds Within Departments
9. Request Approval to Employ An Architect and An Engineer for Municipal Buildings
10. Ordinance: Approve Loan for Financing Parking Lot Improvement

BOYS CLUB Midnight Swim

JULY 4th, 1957

9:45 - 11:45 p.m.

ADMISSION — 75c

If you are wondering why the News Review continues to refer to the local housing co-op as "Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation" instead of "Greenbelt Homes, Inc." as voted at the May membership meeting, the explanation is simple. The change as a charter amendment still awaits the approval of the State of Maryland. Such approval is expected shortly.

Non-Siphoning Type Traps For New Sinks Sunk; They Vent This-a-Way

by Al Skolnik

Installation of new sinks in Greenbelt homes without additional venting is permissible, according to Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission regulations, provided the new sink's location is within 48 constructed inches of the existing vertical vent. This announcement was made by manager John O. Walker at the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation board of directors meeting last Friday night.

Our Neighbors

Elaine Skolnik - GRanite 4-6060

Babies on Parade:

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Goldstein, 56-C Crescent. Karen Ann arrived on June 19, weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz. She joins a brother, Johnny, 3½.

They named her Joan Elizabeth. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McFarland, 38-F Ridge, announced her birth on June 17. Joan weighed nine pounds, and joins three sisters and one brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kosisky, 6-D Research, are the proud parents of a daughter. Mary Lynne made her debut on June 17, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz.

A pink bundle for Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McWilliams, 17-D Parkway. Susan Kay was born on June 18, weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dobbin, 14-G Ridge, named him John Joseph. Arriving on June 20, John weighed in at 6 lbs. 3 oz. He has two brothers, Billy and Pat, and one sister, Mary.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blakley, 7-C Southway, proudly announce the arrival of Scott Alan on June 20. Scott, weighing in at 7 lbs. 15 oz., has a brother, Leonard.

A farewell party was held last Thursday night at the home of Nathaniel and Peggy Markfield, 17-C Ridge, for Francis and Larry Miller, 21-N Ridge, and Lydia and Harry Novick, 45-S Ridge. The Millers have already moved from Greenbelt, and the Novicks will leave sometime in July.

Vacationing at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, are Nettie and Norman Granims, 2-S Plateau.

Abe Chasoff, 45-M Ridge, is "batching" it these days. Gladys and the girl's Rochelle and Phyllis, are with Gladys' mother in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania. (Ed. note: So am I!)

Birthday greetings to Jo Ann Reese, 1-F Northway. This cute miss was nine years old on Monday.

Former Greenbelter, Sandy Johnson, was inducted into the Eagle Scouts on June 27. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson of Burbank, California.

Ira Kaufman, 45-K Ridge, was commended by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for his superior performance on the Scholarship Qualifying Test. This test was taken throughout the country by over 162,000 selected students for the Merit Program.

July 1st was a very important date for Bonnie and Roberta Boykoff, 2-C Northway. Both shared birthdays on Monday—Bonnie was 11, and "Birdie" 3.

Good luck to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Taylor, 1-E Plateau, and their three children who are leaving Greenbelt for Palmer Park, Maryland.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mintz, 1-C Westway, have just returned from a four day trip to New York City, where they celebrated their son Stevie's fourteenth birthday. They visited Ann's mother and dad, Mr. and Mrs. W. Israel.

The Arnold Tubmans, 1-H Westway, had daughter Mrs. Louis Gordon visiting last week.

Irene and Dom Ciccarelli, 2-D Northway, and their two youngsters, Johnny and Danny, have just returned from a weekend trip to Latrobe, Pennsylvania. In addition to visiting relatives, Dom attended a class reunion at Latrobe High School.

The board had received complaints that plumbers were charging \$50 or more for the additional venting on the grounds that it was required by the WSSC code. GVHC spokesmen now state that this is a mistaken notion and that any plumbers who insist upon such venting should be referred to the GVHC maintenance office.

"However," Walker said, "WSSC does require that where the kitchen sink waste line goes through the floor beneath the sink, a non-siphoning type of sink trap should be installed in place of the existing type trap. This is only a problem for the brick houses, since the non-siphoning type of trap had not been developed at the time original Greenbelt was constructed. With the frame houses, no change would be necessary in the type of sink trap used."

It is estimated that the non-siphoning type of sink trap should cost about \$15.

Fire Siren

The board heard a plea from Charles Helwig, 2-G Research, to reconsider its decision granting permission to erect an auxiliary fire siren on top of the heating plant opposite 3 court of Research. Helwig stated that he was sure there must be other sports in North End where a fire siren would disturb fewer people than the location approved. He suggested the North End School, the water tower, or even an especially erected tower in the woods. "The location chosen," said Helwig, "is about 150 to 250 ft within the heavily populated 2 court of Research with its 12 families."

Director Bruce Bowman stated that the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad had petitioned the Board of Education unsuccessfully for permission to install a siren on the North End School. While the principal approved, the Board of Education, according to Bowman, turned the proposal down because of the fear a siren would excite the children and make them unmanageable. However, Bowman thought that if the school trustees and PTA make a strong case for the siren, the Board of Education might reconsider its decision.

As for a siren on the water tower or on a specially built tower in the woods, GVHC president Ed Burgoon doubted that such a siren would be effective because its blast would be muffled by the woods.

Burgoon pointed out that the North End siren would be low pitch and would not be used after 11 p.m. except for extreme emergencies, involving fire calls. It would not be used for ambulance calls, as the Rescue Squad has specific men assigned for duty each night.

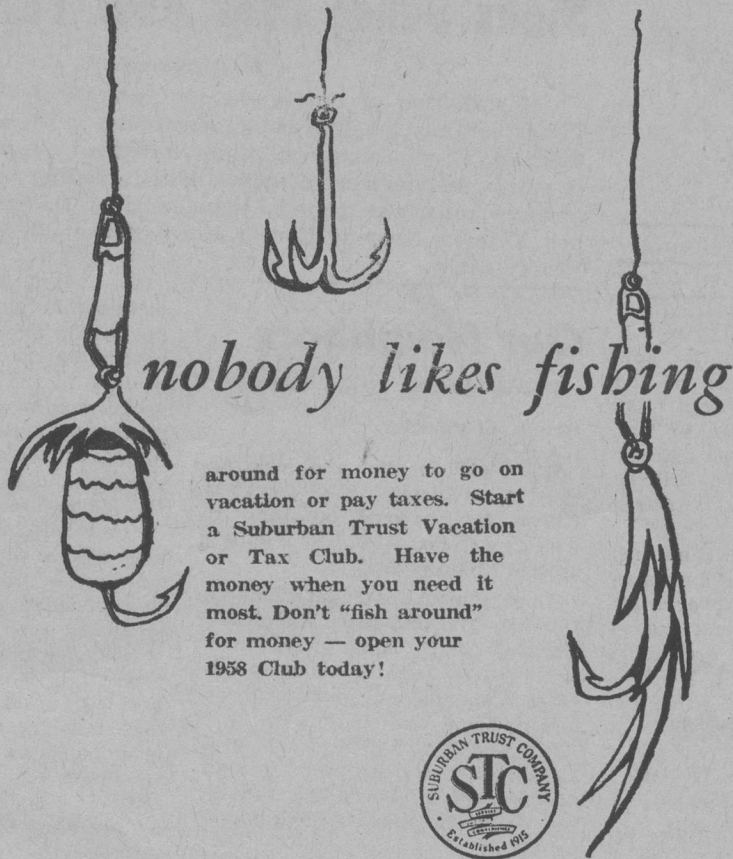
Burgoon also held out the hope that the auxiliary siren may be only a stop-gap measure, since the Fire Department has plans for eventually contacting its members directly through its own phone system.

Walker announced that arrangements are being made with a local building supply house for GVHC members to purchase high-grade aluminum screen-storm doors at practically builder's prices. Details will be published in the corporation's News Letter. Director Percy Andros also announced that negotiations are proceeding with a large distributor for obtaining electrical appliances at discount prices.

Burgoon distributed to board members an architect's plans for the renovation of the newly-purchased North End store and adjacent property. After the board members have had a chance to study the plans, Burgoon stated, a special meeting will be called.

The board voted to appropriate \$25 as its contribution to the Labor Day Festival. The money will be used for the purchase of two trophies.

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